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## POPPY DAY IN MACAO

The people of Macao made a magnificent response to this year's "Poppy Day" appeal, organised by Mr. K. H. B. M. C. They contributed over \$2,800 to the Remembrance Day Fund.

## Farewell Party At S'cutters

Members of the Armament Supply Department and their friends attended a party given by the Stonecutters' Admiralty Officer's Mess on Saturday evening to say "Au Revoir" to their colleague, Mr. R. W. Primrose, who is leaving to take up an appointment in the service of the Hong Kong Government.

Mr. Primrose, who is well known as a musician and singer, has been living on Stonecutters for the last two years and his performance on the piano, accordion and flute have been very much appreciated during this period.

He took over the duties of Mess Secretary when the Mess was formed in 1945 and carried on right up to the time of his resignation.

In proposing a toast to Mr. Primrose, the Mess Officer, Mr. T. F. Honess, said that whilst they were all sorry that Mr. Primrose was leaving they wished him the best of luck and health in his new career.

Mr. Primrose said how much he appreciated the good wishes of those present. He would never forget the happy associations whilst in the Armament Supply Department and in the Stonecutters Mess.

Mr. Wallace, Chairman of the Mess, also spoke of how the Mess appreciated all that Mr. Primrose had done.

The party was entertained by the members of Stonecutters "Pilgrim" Band whilst Mr. Ken Domest delighted the company with his trumpet solos and Mr. Primrose rendered his old time favourites "The Brown Bird" and "Love is my reason for leaving" with his usual enthusiasm.

## Personalia

There were no new arrivals at the Repulse Bay Hotel and only Mr. G. A. Miller left.

Arrivals at the Gloucester Hotel yesterday included Mr. W. J. Dworkadna, Mr. C. V. Perkins and Mr. E. A. Buchanan. Departures were Mrs. L. Glucker and Mr. J. C. Momeje.

The only arrival at the Hong Kong Hotel yesterday was Mr. J. B. Dexter. There were no departures.

Peninsula Hotel arrivals:—G. S. R. Cannon, W. B. Waddell, Fred Fallick, Mrs. O. Apoll, Mrs. G. Warner, Mr. and Mrs. M. Onnes and E. H. Battat.

Peninsula departures:—E. J. C. Perry, W. L. Worden, Mrs. A. R. Vaca, C. P. L. Henderson, R. W. Owens, J. Treadwell, L. A. Lewis, H. E. Phillips and Dr. and Mrs. G. P. Haskins.

## COCKTAIL PARTY

Colonel Andres Soriano, Philippines multi-millionaire, and Executives of the Philippine Air Lines, were hosts to a large gathering of local businessmen at a cocktail party at the Jacobean Room, Hong Kong Hotel, last evening.

Colonel Soriano, who is head of the Philippine Air Lines, arrived here yesterday by one of his own flying fortresses. He is an industrial and commercial magnate with widespread business interests in the Philippines and apart from the Philippine Air Lines, he is also head of the San Miguel Brewery, The Far East Oil Co., The Soriano Trading Co. and the KZRM Radio Station.

Colonel Soriano is accompanied on his visit by high officials of the Philippine Government and Executives of the P.A.L.

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# EVIDENCE IN ALLEN CASE

## Dealer's Story Of Payment For Clothes

### Alleged Bribery At Market

At yesterday's resumed hearing of the trial of William Allen, Man Kam-fat and Chui Hong before Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice), Pun Ping, pork dealer, told the Court that in Aug. 1946 he was approached by Man Kam-fat for \$150 to pay for clothing ordered by Allen. Pun claimed that he paid the money because he was afraid that if he did not Allen could have him arrested for selling meat in the streets.

Allen, Man Kam-fat and Chui Hong are charged on 25 counts. There are three counts against Allen and Man Kam-fat alleging conspiracy to obtain bribes from stallholders in the Shamshuipo, Mongkok and Yaumati Markets between Aug. 1946 and Sept. 1947, three counts of alleged conspiracy against Allen and Chui Hong, 19 counts of accepting bribes, 12 against Allen, four against Allen and Man Kam-fat and three against Allen and Chui Hong.

Mr. A. Lonsdale, assisted by Mr. F. W. Shafton, Senior Superintendent of Police and Det. Insp. J. Johnston, prosecuted.

Mr. Percy Chen, instructed by Mr. S. Ng Quian of Messrs. Erutson & Co., is appearing for Allen. The Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almeida, Castro, K. C. instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist is appearing for Man Kam-fat, while Mr. Hui Shing-Lu, instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ, appeared for Chui Hong.

The first witness called by the prosecution, Pun Ping, said that he took over Stall 74 in the Yaumati Market in March 1946.

Previously, he was a street hawker, selling pork. In August 1946, he purchased two pigs in Un Long and had them slaughtered for sale in Kowloon. When he brought them back they were hung up overnight in the market.

As the pigs did not bear a Government Stamp, Allen asked where they came from.

On being told that they had been purchased in Un Long, he ordered his folks to take them to the Slaughter House.

## Alleged Payment

Pun said that he saw Man Kam-fat about the matter. The latter said he saw Allen. The pigs were released the next morning.

Pun said he was approached some time later by Man Kam-fat, who said that Allen required \$150 to pay for some clothing. This was subsequently paid.

Cross-examined by Mr. Chen, Pun said that he went back to the country in September 1946. In August, he was a street hawker and had no licence. He had been arrested for hawkking.

The two pigs purchased at Un Long were left in the market to be cut up for sale in the streets next morning, in accordance with the usual procedure.

He first saw Allen in the market at about 10 p.m. on the night that the two pigs were brought back from Un Long.

It was some 40 or 45 minutes later that he went with Man Kam-fat to the Slaughter House to ask Allen to release the pigs.

Pun said that when making purchases of meat, he only selected good meat, as he did not wish to swindle other people. The two pigs he purchased were in good condition, as he had seen them running about before they were slaughtered.

## Pork Returned

Pun admitted that it was an interpreter named Lam who told him that Allen had said there was no Government Stamp on the pork.

The entire conversation was carried on through this interpreter.

Pun also admitted that he did not speak to Allen the next morning, except to say "Good Morning."

After Allen had gone to his office, an interpreter, also named Lam, came out and asked Pun, what he wanted.

He told this interpreter he wanted the return of his pork. The pork was later returned and sold in the streets.

Pun said that he never went to the Lal Fa Tailors mentioned by Man Kam-fat.

The conversations about clothing took place between Man Kam-fat and himself. Allen was not present.

Pun said that he never spoke to Allen about the matter afterwards.

## Malaya To Cut Paper Imports

Singapore, Dec. 2. Malaya, whose newspapers are at present only half pre-war size, is to cut newspaper imports by 25 per cent in 1948 to help conserve "hard currency."

The Imports and Exports Department in Singapore, announcing the cut today, said that new publications would be discouraged and no additional imports permitted to meet appropriations in respect of such journals.

One night, two pigs belonging to Pun Ping were taken from the Yaumati Market to the Slaughter House because they were not marked with the Government Stamp.

Lam said he went to the market with Allen and a representative of the Pig Dealers Guild.

Pun Ping produced a receipt to show that the pigs had been purchased in Un Long.

Lam said that he read the contents of the receipt to Allen and then handed it back to Pun.

The pigs were taken to the Slaughter House office. He did not see them again.

Keung Hing-pan, handyman employed by fish stalls in the Shamshuipo Market, said that at a meeting with Allen and Man Kam-fat at the Yat Cheong Cafe, a demand of \$40 a day was demanded from the 24 stalls in the market.

This demand was transmitted to him by Man Kam-fat's son, after Allen had spoken a few words in English.

Keung said that he told them that the matter would be discussed at a meeting of stalls to be held that night.

At the meeting, it was decided to make the "payment" demanded. Each stall was to pay \$1.50, making a total of \$36. The balance of \$4 was to be made up by hawkers trading in the vicinity of the market.

## "Busybody"

Keung said that he collected the money and handed it over to one Wong Kwai in the first instance, secondly to Fan Hon-kee and then to Chui Hong, the third accused. Keung said that he himself was accused of spending the money.

Keung said that in May this year, he delivered two bottles of wine, two chickens and two baskets of fruit to Allen on behalf of Tsang Wah, vegetable stallholder. When these were handed over to Allen, a slip of paper with the stall numbers written on it was given to Allen.

On another occasion, he also handed Allen two bottles of wine, two chickens and two baskets of fruit on behalf of Keung Ping, a pork dealer.

Cross-examined, Keung said he was selected to represent stalls in negotiations with Allen because the stallholders themselves were busy.

Before seeing Allen, he did not hold himself out as a good friend of Allen.

Keung admitted that he was a "busybody" in the market and that whenever Allen inspected the market, he followed Allen round to hear what he said to the stallholders.

It was usual for small boys and employees of stalls to follow Allen on his rounds.

## Reminders

Today  
Legislative Council Meeting, 2.30 p.m.  
Sonata Recital by Pro. Harry Orr, Northcote Training College, 8 p.m.

Reception for the Governor and Lady Grantham, St. John's Ambulance Brigade, Tai Hang, 6.30-8 p.m.

Societe de Literature at d'Art Francaise hold soiree theatre, St. Paul's Convent, 9 p.m.

Ladies Church Aid Meeting, St. Paul's Church, 8.15 p.m.

## Coming Events

TOMORROW  
Ex-Governor Hall of Hong Kong, Annual Dinner, Jacobean Room, B.K. Hotel, 7.45 p.m.

Y's Men's Lunch, Talk by Dr. Joseph Yu, Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel, 12.40 a.m.

DECEMBER 5  
Special Dance, Kowloon Cricket Club, 10 p.m.

British Ambassador to China and Lady Stevenson arrive from Amoy.

DECEMBER 6  
Grand Prix (1st and 2nd) Boys & Girls Clubs Association, Murray Farnes Ground, 10 a.m.

Happy Children's Society, Third Anniversary, Baptist Church, Canal Road, 7.30 p.m.

## Receivers Sentenced

Convicted of receiving stolen property, Chan Ping-chung and So Wing-shing, both 18 years of age, were sentenced to one year's hard labour and recommended for banishment by Mr. W. H. Latimer yesterday.

It was alleged that defendants took part in the disposal of six dozen pint bottles of H.B. beer stolen from the H.K. Brewery Godowns in Canton Road at 5.30 a.m. on Nov. 30.

Inspector Orem informed the Court that defendants were arrested by Det. Yu Tong at Koon Chung Street near Austin Road at 8.45 a.m. on Sunday. They sold, through a coolie, Wong Yin, three dozen bottles for \$14.40 to a man in Shanghai Street.

Both accused had a previous conviction. The second defendant was sentenced to a year's hard labour in February this year for godown-breaking, while the first received six strokes for receiving in May, 1946.

## Admiral's Story

Continuing his evidence in the No. 1 Australian War Crimes Court, Tamara Ryukichi, former Rear Admiral, gave an account of his naval career. He was commissioned on December 1st, 1918 and served in the Japanese Navy until the surrender.

In the last war he took part in the convey of allied shipping. In this war he had served in the Pacific in warships.

The second accused, Yoshino Shozo, said that he was Chief of Staff Officer to the Admiral. All orders from the Admiral went through him. He said that there was no alternative but to do as was done, as there was no means of landing the prisoners elsewhere.

Hearing will be continued this morning at 9.30 a.m.

## Accused's Denial

A complete denial of the charge of cruelty was made by S. Maj. Yamamoto Katsunda, NCO of Koishikawa POW Camp, Formosa, in No. 7 War Crimes Court yesterday.

Yamamoto, in answer to the Prosecutor, said the allegations of cruelty made against him by two prosecution witnesses were actuated by personal ill-feeling only.

In the morning, the cross-examination of Lieut. Funaoka Masao, Liaison Officer of the Camp, was concluded.

The Court adjourned to 10 a.m. this morning after hearing the evidence in-chief of the fifth accused, Sgt. Kawano Mitsunishi, known to the POWs as "Banzai."

## P.O. Fined For Dangerous Driving

Petty Officer L. G. Richards, of Royal Naval Dockyards, was fined \$150 for dangerous driving in Prince Edward Road on Oct. 18 by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

Traffic Sub-inspector Donald Brown said that Sub-Ins. McLeod saw defendant driving a naval jeep at Prince Edward Road at "a terrific speed." The Police officer followed defendant and found his (own) speedometer registered between 60 and 60 m.p.h. all the way.

Defendant said Traffic Sub-Ins. Brown did not even slow down at the junction of Prince Edward Road and Waterloo Road—a very busy junction.

P.O. Richards denied that he was going at the speed stated by the prosecution. He said that although he had no speedometer he knew his speed could not have been more than 40 m.p.h.

## Dangerous Slope

As Police van No. 5853 was going down the slope from the Central Police Station at 3 p.m. yesterday the driver temporarily lost control and the side of the lorry scraped the left wall for about five yards.

Several people who were in the lorry were thrown to the floor of the vehicle and one (a woman) received slight head injuries. She was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital by the Police Ambulance which was in the compound.

A fatal accident, involving a woman, occurred some time ago in the same area. At the coronor's inquest the jury added a rider commenting on the danger to motor and pedestrian traffic on the slope.

## CITY TRAFFIC OFFENCE

Chen Sup, a public vehicle driver, was fined \$100 by Mr. E. K. d'Almeida at Central Magistrate's Court yesterday for driving in a dangerous manner in Des Voeux Road.

Sub-inspector Reddish said that he saw defendant's car stationary in Des Voeux Road Central. Just as he was about to reach him, defendant started his car and took a sharp turn. Witness had to apply his brakes quickly to avoid an accident.

## BOUND OVER

Chiu Chun, 21, female, was bound over in a bond of \$20 for one year when she pleaded guilty at the Central Magistrate's Court yesterday to obstruction and loitering in Des Voeux Road Central on Monday.

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# CHINA'S CLAIM TO BURMA BORDER DISTRICT

## Hopes For An Amicable Settlement

### Unilateral Action "Not Binding"

Nanking, Dec. 2.  
The Chinese Foreign Office stated today that it believed that the dispute over the Chinese-Burmese border could be settled between China and Independent Burma "in an amicable spirit."

Commenting on press reports of the boundary demarcation dispute, the Foreign Office recalled that the question of the boundary between British Burma and China's Yunnan Province was covered by the treaty of 1894, which stated that the "settlement of delimitation of that portion of the frontier north of latitude 25° 35' N. shall be reserved for future understanding between the contracting parties when features and conditions of the country are more accurately known."

The Foreign Office said that repeated subsequent discussions between Britain and China failed to produce an agreement, with the latest effort at settlement made in August 1941.

### Not Binding

It said, however, that war broke out in the Pacific and Burma fell to the Japanese before a definite reply was received from the British Government and the Chinese Government had not heard since on this matter.

In a statement, the Foreign Office said, "The forthcoming independence of Burma is received by the Chinese Government and its people with profound gratification."

It added that it believed that the boundary question "will find a mutually satisfactory solution through proper diplomatic channels in accordance with the treaty provisions and international law."

The Foreign Office concluded, "Any unilateral action or pronouncement from whatever source of either side obviously cannot be considered as binding the other party."—United Press

## Jerusalem Should Be Neutral

London, Dec. 1.  
Dr. Cyril Garbett, Archbishop of York, asked in his Sunday diocesan letter that Britain insist on handing over Jerusalem to international authority to preserve order and safeguard holy places.

"We cannot rely on the Jewish state giving adequate protection or showing impartial justice to Christian or Arabs," he said. "The deplorable failure of the Jewish Agency, even now, to prevent cruel and treacherous murders of our young soldiers justifies the alarm which is felt at the demand that a great part of Jerusalem should be incorporated in the new state."

The Archbishop said the Jewish claim for the ancient walled city of Jerusalem as part of the Jewish state would mean that the Mount of Olives, the Garden of Gethsemane and a large number of Christian churches, schools, convents and hospitals would come under Jewish administration.—United Press

## Inquest After Crash Of Flying Boat

Southend, Dec. 1.  
The cause of the fire on board the Felixstowe-based Sunderland flying boat which came down with a blazing engine on to the sea off Southend and overturned on Oct. 21 has not been established.

The Southend coroner, at the inquest on the four victims of the disaster, read a letter from the senior investigating officer stating that it had not been possible to recover the inner starboard engine, without which he was unable to reach any definite conclusion.

A verdict that the deaths were due to accidental causes was recorded.

One of the survivors, Flight Lieutenant Stephen Patrick Cunningham,

ham, of the Royal Air Force, said that the flying boat was about 1,800 feet over Southend on a training flight when he noticed that the starboard inner engine was afire. He called the pilot's attention to this and the ditching signal was given.

Automatic extinguishers appeared to have little effect. The aircraft went down in a steep dive towards a salvage vessel near the Southend pier, hit the water and overturned.

After being hurled back by the rush of water, he escaped through a hole in the fuselage, seized the pilot and held him up until help came from a launch.

Another survivor, Corporal F. E. Thornton, R.A.F., said that the aircraft was on her back and ablaze when he escaped. He inflated his "Mae West" and held on to a floating tool-box until help came.—Reuter.



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## Diamond Smuggling

Brussels, Dec. 2.  
Large-scale diamond smuggling to Britain was ascribed to the "astounding" weakness of the sterling pound note on the Belgian market in Monday's "Libre Belgique."

The paper said the pound was exchanged at 110 Belgian francs, against the official exchange rate of 175 francs 50 centimes, and that it had confirmed that clandestine exports via Antwerp had shot up since Britain heavily reduced its import licenses for cut diamonds.—Associated Press.

## French Plan For Germany

London, Dec. 2.  
French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault said today that if the London Conference of Foreign Ministers fails to agree on the future of Germany, the French zone may be merged with the Anglo-American zones to establish a united western Germany.

M. Bidault, who is going to Paris tonight for conferences with French Government leaders, stated this position at a meeting with French reporters shortly before the Foreign Ministers Council opened its second week of sessions.

Meanwhile, it was authoritatively reported that Russia had rejected a French proposal for settling the issue of German assets in Austria, which is the chief barrier to the completion of an Austrian peace treaty here.—Associated Press.

## Japanese Accused

Shanghai, Dec. 2.  
Chinese repatriates to Formosa from Japan today accused the Japanese authorities of persecuting and mistreating Chinese nationals on landing at the northern Formosa port of Keelung.

Of 81 repatriates who had arrived from Japan, 57 claimed that they had been interned for three months in Japanese concentration camps, according to Central News.

They said that it was through the negotiations undertaken by the Chinese Military Mission in Japan with the Japanese Government that they were finally released from the camps and repatriated to Formosa.

The repatriates said that Japan, as a whole, has made speedy headway in rehabilitation but has not been purged of militaristic concepts.—Reuter.

## Proposal For World Bill Of Rights

Washington, Dec. 2.  
A world bill of rights, calling for such things as "a decent living," social security and freedom of information for everyone, was proposed on behalf of the United States today by Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The late President's widow, acting in her capacity as American representative to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights, submitted the proposal to the Commission at Geneva as it prepared to open a formal meeting on Monday.

The document is intended for adoption by the United Nations. However, it would not involve any contractual obligations by the U.N. or by any Government to guarantee the rights it sets forth.

It is described as "a statement of the aspirations of the peoples of the world for rights and freedom." It urges "the peoples of the world to promote the rights and freedoms hereby proclaimed." Based on the Bill of Rights in the United States Constitution, it urges such things as freedom of speech and information, freedom to travel within a state and to emigrate, freedom from arbitrary arrest and involuntary servitude.—Associated Press.

## Warning By Chinese Delegate

Baguio, Dec. 2.  
The UNO ECAFE rejected today by five to four an Indonesian resolution to allow the Indonesians to sit as observers without voice or vote.

Opposing the resolution were Australia, France, the Netherlands, Britain and America.

The raising of the Indonesian dispute brought a warning from China's T. F. Tsiang, retiring presiding officer who fought in vain to keep political issues subordinated. "If we should continue along lines such as this," he said, "so far as the Chinese Government is concerned we will say 'Let's drop this business.'"

Earlier the Philippine delegation began a campaign in a closed committee meeting to clip the wings of the British-sponsored Southeast Asia Commission.

The Philippine group urged the establishment of a new agency for Asiatic countries.—Associated Press.

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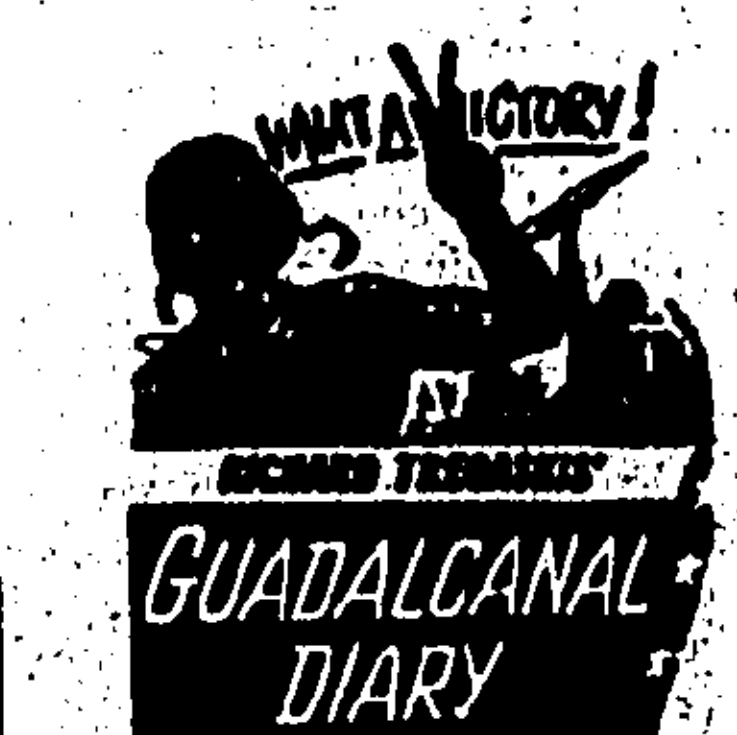
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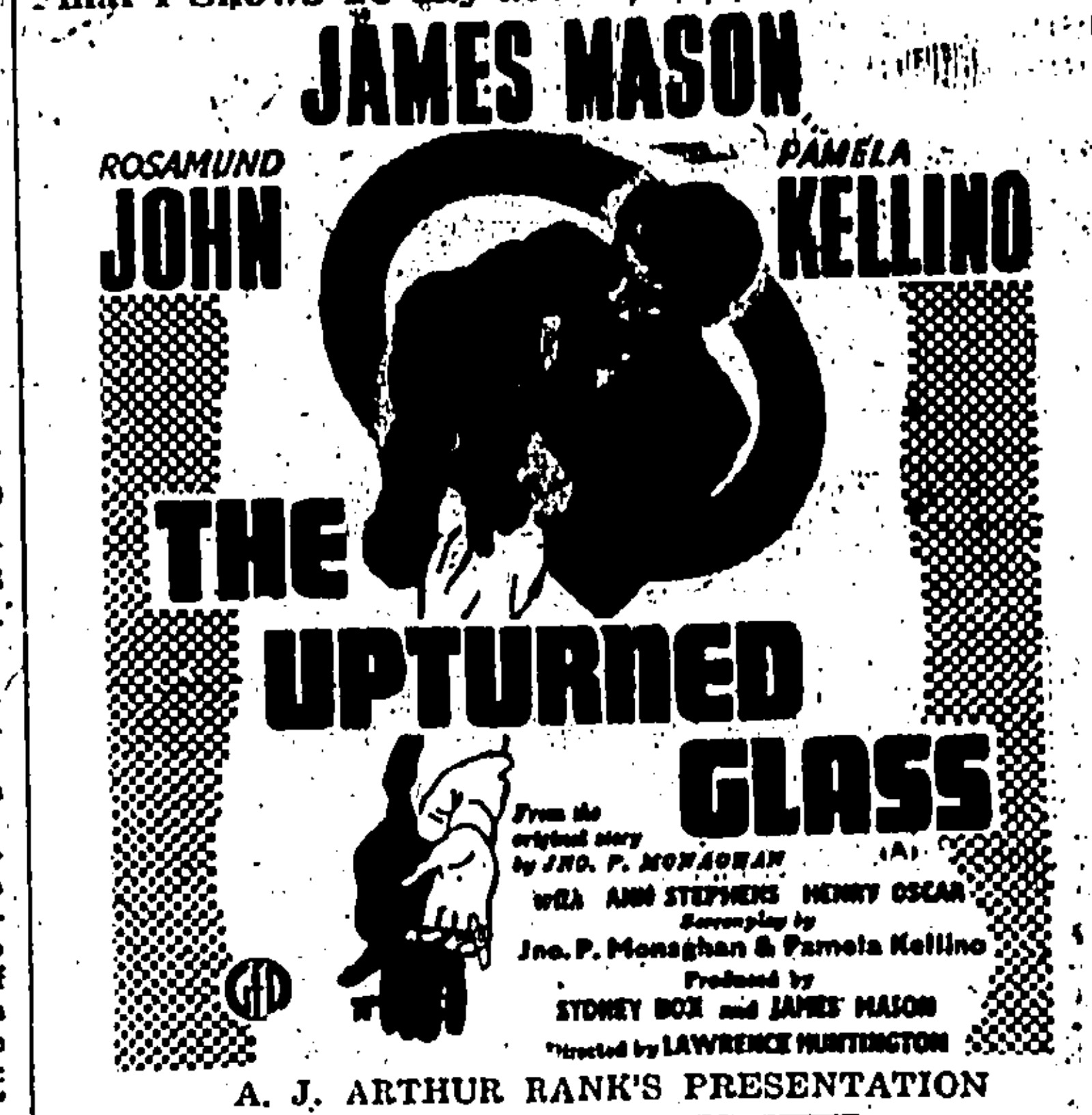


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FERGUSON.—Phyllis L.O. Ferguson, dearly beloved wife of J.J. Ferguson, Education Department at Charleston South Carolina on 21st November, 1947.

## THE STRUGGLE IN EUROPE

While the four Foreign Ministers sit in conference in London, the struggle for power in Europe mounts steadily in its intensity. In two of the most important countries, France and Italy, it has already reached a point where the stability of the State is imperilled. Strikes and disorders are the visible weapons of the struggle, apparently following a premeditated programme, and aimed at breaking down communications and food supplies to the cities. In part, the purpose would seem to be to create in the United States such a picture of chaos and disorganisation in Europe as to discourage implementation of the Marshall Plan; but there is still, in reserve, should the opportunity develop, the intention to seize power. For the moment, the main weight of the effort is in France, possibly because of the two, it is the hardest nut to crack. Already one government has been brought down. The Ramadier Government was broken up by two hostile forces: on the one hand, Communist tactics of direct strike action instead of political infiltration; on the other, the de Gaulle strategy of breaking up any centre party not led by the General. M. Blum's failure to gain support must be attributed to his impartial unwillingness to offer conciliation either to Left or to Right. Though his own political courage is undoubted, he is painfully aware of the lack of stamina among his Socialist colleagues, always unwilling (again for tactical reasons) to admit that they find themselves surrounded more strongly from the Communist's local agents than from any truly French party, whatever its colour. For M. Robert Schuman, the M.R.P. economist, and the new Premier the problem was not the same. His party has for some time been virtually irreconcilable with the Communists, and he himself has repeatedly been attacked by Communist spokesmen because he has striven to keep French finances in order. In the usual Communist way the patriotism of a man who was imprisoned by the Gestapo is questioned by the henchmen of M. Thorez, who deserted from the French Army and exhibited his courage from the safe distance of Moscow. Under the post-war French constitution M. Schuman had to get a majority in the Assembly before forming his Cabinet. In this, unlike M. Blum, he was at once successful; but this success cannot unhappily be guaranteed to show that the crisis has ceased to mount and begun to end. On the contrary, the impatience of ordinary citizens with the disruption created by the strikes has been growing steadily, and there is a tendency to feel that the challenge thrown down by the Communists cannot be ignored even if it means, however reluctantly in many cases, a step nearer to a de Gaulle regime. In fact, even if the Schuman Cabinet discovers a way through the immediate crisis, it seems doubtful whether that will settle any fundamental question. Rather it must be rated as a mere postponement of the decisive contest.

Rome, Dec. 1. Count Dino Grandi, Italian Ambassador in London during Mussolini's regime, was completely cleared by a special court here today of six main charges in connection with Fascist activities. Count Grandi is now in Portugal and was tried in his absence.—Reuter.

Amsterdam, Dec. 2. Queen Wilhelmina reassumed Royal power today after an interruption of six weeks for reasons of health. During that period Crown Prince Juliana acted as Regent.—Associated Press.

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# WHO IS TO KEEP PEACE IN HOLY LAND?

By DeWitt Mackenzie

Now that the United Nations has approved the partitioning of Palestine into Jewish and Arab States—a move desired by the Jews but bitterly opposed by the Arabs—this burning question immediately arises: who is going to maintain peace in the Holy Land between two peoples who have engaged in so many bloody clashes during the past generation?

Somebody must police the Holy Land. Britain has announced that she is going to relinquish her mandate and withdraw from Palestine, and has declined the task. So, who tackles the job? There is no more challenging fate by advancing the wistful idea that the situation will take care of itself.

Storm clouds continue to pile up. In Cairo, Abdel Rahman Azzam Pasha, Secretary General of the 7-nation Arab League, declared that his people, totalling 33,000,000 never will permit the U.N. to partition Palestine into two states, but

will resist by force. Is he bluffing? Well, maybe, but I have spent considerable time among the Arab peoples in various countries and while I know that they are quite capable of bluffing, I would not want to gamble that they are now.

## Not Bluffing

The Syrian demonstrators who stoned the American Legation and tore down the American flag in Damascus on Sunday were not bluffing. And there was no bluff in the Palestine outbursts resulting in the death of 8 Jews and the wounding of 16 others.

Faris El Khoury, Chief Syrian delegate, and one of the spokesmen of the six Arab nations represented in the United Nations, told reporters that the whole Moslem world will oppose the implementation of partition with all the forces they possess. El Khoury asserted that the Arabs consider

any attempt to set up a Jewish nation as aggression against the Arabs, and then cut loose with this broadside: "We will see if the sponsors of the partition plan (United States and Russia) will send their forces to suppress resistance to their aggression."

That, I take it, was a rhetorical remark calculated as a rebuke to America and the Soviet Union, because if any troops are sent into Palestine to maintain peace, it will be done at the order of the United Nations.

## Up To UN

The Palestine question is international and must be dealt with accordingly. It is up to the United Nations, having sanctioned partition, to see the matter through. Most certainly the U.N. should create a World Police Force (which does not now exist) to maintain peace during the reconstruction period, and close observers who know the Middle East believe that this force should be moved into the Holy Land immediately. Now is the dangerous time. To leave Palestine ungarrisoned would be to invite a Moslem Holy War. And once that got started there would be no telling how far it would run. It is well that this great question should be in the hands of the United Nations, for after all it is a matter in which the world as a whole has a vital and special interest.

Palestine is indeed a Holy Land, and not only to the Moslems and Jews, but to the whole of Christendom. To the Jews and to the Arabs of Palestine is entrusted a spiritual inheritance of mankind. The United Nations must help safeguard it.

## Partition Death Knell Of UNO?

Washington, Dec. 2.

Representative Gossett, Democrat of Texas, today criticised the UNO vote to partition Palestine, saying this action "has perhaps signed the death knell of the UNO."

"Saturday was one of the blackest days in American history," he said in a statement. "America has led in the fight and is responsible for the UNO action in decreeing a partition of Palestine and the creation of a sovereign Jewish state."

"In its first major action dealing with sovereignty the UNO has been controlled by partisan politics."

"This action has perhaps signed the death knell of the UNO. America has antagonized the entire Moslem world. She has perhaps planted the seed for World War II."

"We have done the Jews themselves a great disservice."

## Joy And Sadness, Threats And Tears

By Robert Miller

Palestine today is a land of simultaneous tears and laughter, joy and sadness, threats and promises. Within hours it may be a country of bloodshed and violence.

I saw tanned and muscled men weep without shame and bow their turbaned heads in uncontrolled grief when told about the partitioning.

"I saw toothless grandmothers in flapping night shirts, shouting and snake-dancing in Jewish settlements with youngsters whose joyous celebration of the birth of the Jewish state filled the River Jordan valley."

In Nablus, Gaza, Hebron and Jerusalem stern-faced shokhs met in warm sunshine of Sunday to plot revenge and draw up plans to thwart its establishment—plans which if carried out mean war and killing again in Palestine.

In Haifa, Tel-Aviv, Tiberias and Jerusalem other men met to prepare for the birth of a new country which has been conceived thousands of miles away by groups of people representing nearly every civilized country except Palestine.

What the Jews fear most is organized warfare waged by Palestinian and neighbouring Arabs. Arab League leaders in yesterday's meetings swore to carry out their threats of holy war and to kill any Arab dissenters who failed to join their campaign.

## Frontiers Quiet

Palestine's frontiers, however, were peaceful and the spots where any invasion must come were quiet. At the bridge of Jacob's Daughter crossing the River Jordan in the bottom of the Hula Valley, Syrian guards said everything was routine and shrugged their shoulders when asked for reaction to the partitioning, saying soldiers who took orders were not labelled today as the "beginning of our resistance to all foreign interference in our affairs." Emile Ghoury, High Committee Secretary, said the Arabs blamed Britain "for all this tragedy but they are really happy that the United Nations openly declared for partition for it unmaskes the lies underlying the principles of American democracy and Russian Communism."

Reliable sources predicted the first retaliation for the American position would be taken against the oil pipeline with

## CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



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## The Change That War Has Brought

By Leslie Brodie

The twentieth century is beginning to catch up with the Pacific island natives.

Old-time traders returning to their island trading posts since the war finished are finding an entirely different native with which to deal. The traders don't like the change.

For the days when they could get what they wanted for a string of glass beads, a can of bully-beef, or a large mirror are gone forever.

War was instrumental in giving the coloured millions who inhabit the South Sea Islands a taste of the white man's food, machinery and general amenities and the black man finds them good. What is more, he now insists on having them.

He has learned from experience in the past four or five years that his goods are worth money, and that this money will buy for him all the things he wants in addition to the commodities that he bartered for previously.

First the Japanese in their drive through the islands, and later the Allied soldiers brought this big change in the life of the complacent islander.

He saw the Jap soldier using his army mess-kit to cook a meal and quickly discovered it was easy to handle and would do a better job for him than his time-honoured clay pot or his coconut shell cooking pot.

## Allowed To Mix

In contrast to the distance he was held by his white master before the war, he was allowed to mix closely with the soldier, and he learned to wear the clothes and boots given to him by the soldiers who thought it funny to see the "boong" dressed in full army kit.

Up in New Guinea recently, a dozen or so native chiefs led by Tabu, head of all the Huno Gult tribes, marched into the Australian Disposals Commission sale of surplus defence supplies, to bid against the white man from Sydney, Melbourne, Auckland, Singapore, Hongkong.

Gone was the traditional loincloth. Tabu and his followers wore United States army shorts and shirts and Australian army boots given to them when they were the "fuzzy wuzzy angels" helping us with our supply lines during the Pacific war.

Their English wasn't good so they took along a mission-trained interpreter who explained that the chiefs wanted to buy spare parts for their motor trucks, heavy batteries for their engines to pump water from the creeks to irrigate their gardens, and some good quality butcher knives.

Money? "We got plenty money. That no object—we buy plenty things," said the big chief.

Another crowd of natives bought up all the vitamin tablets at the sale and other medical supplies. They wanted such items as the streptin

**CAPITAL FOR JAPAN**  
Tokyo, Dec. 2. The Japanese press reported today that the Economic Stabilisation Board has decided to study all problems regarding the inflating of foreign capital into Japan in view of the increasing economic relations with foreign countries. Study will be carried out with a view to drafting plans involving foreign capital as a means of speeding up Japanese industrial and economic recovery along lines of the long-range economic reconstruction plans now under study by the ESB.—United Press.

## BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By SHEPARD BARCLAY

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You have a special duty to your partner in the later bidding if you have in any way told a falsehood about one of your earlier actions. This applies just as much to a player who had made an early pass with a big hand as to one who had bid with a much weaker one than his call indicated. In the latter case, the player must protect his side from a costly business double by cutting into his own suit length. In the case of the man who passed a big hand, he must take emphatic action if his partner happens to get into the bidding.

S. K. Q. 7.5.  
H. 6.4  
D. A. 3.2  
C. A. K. Q. 10  
S. 9.4  
H. A. K. J  
D. 9.7.6  
C. J. 9.8.7  
S. 4.2

S. A. J. 10.6.2  
H. 10.5.3  
D. 10.5.4  
C. None

(Dealer: East, North-South vulnerable)

East South West North  
1 H. Pass 2 C. Pass  
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There are players who would bid 4-Spades in the South over East's 1-Heart, though it would be plenty risky with the side vulnerable, especially when the large number of hearts indicated West to be short in that suit and therefore possibly holding enough spades for a damaging double. Practically all players, from fair to fine, would pass. But the same hands could be said for North's hand.

hunch that a pure gamble might pay. It was, of course, his hope that the opponents would get into trouble. After East showed up his own minimum by passing the 2-Clubs, when many would at least have rebid the hearts, South was acting soundly when he chanced a reopening call of 2-Spades, with indication of a North could well have a nice fit for the suit.

So far so good! But when this came around to North and he gave just a single raise he did the most unkind thing of the entire auction. South could not possibly be expected to guess North for as much strength as he had, or anywhere near it. Because of that weak bid the pair missed an easy game, as only two heart tricks were lost. North on that second turn should at least have jumped to 4-Spades, and probably a better call would have been a cue-bid of 3-Clubs to probe for possible slam. South would have refused the invitation with 3-Spades and North then should have taken it to game in the suit.

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But with supplies always hard to get, the bottle often ran dry before the job was completed. The curious results didn't bother them in the least, but believe me it was something to see.

Behind the black man's emancipation stands the Australian Government, who are determined to improve the lot of the people who were our human pack-mules on all the island fronts against the Japanese.

Minister for External Territories, Mr. E. Ward (the author of the plan which has already become known as "Eddie Ward's Dream") is determined that the native must govern himself, and take his place in the economic life of his island's destiny.

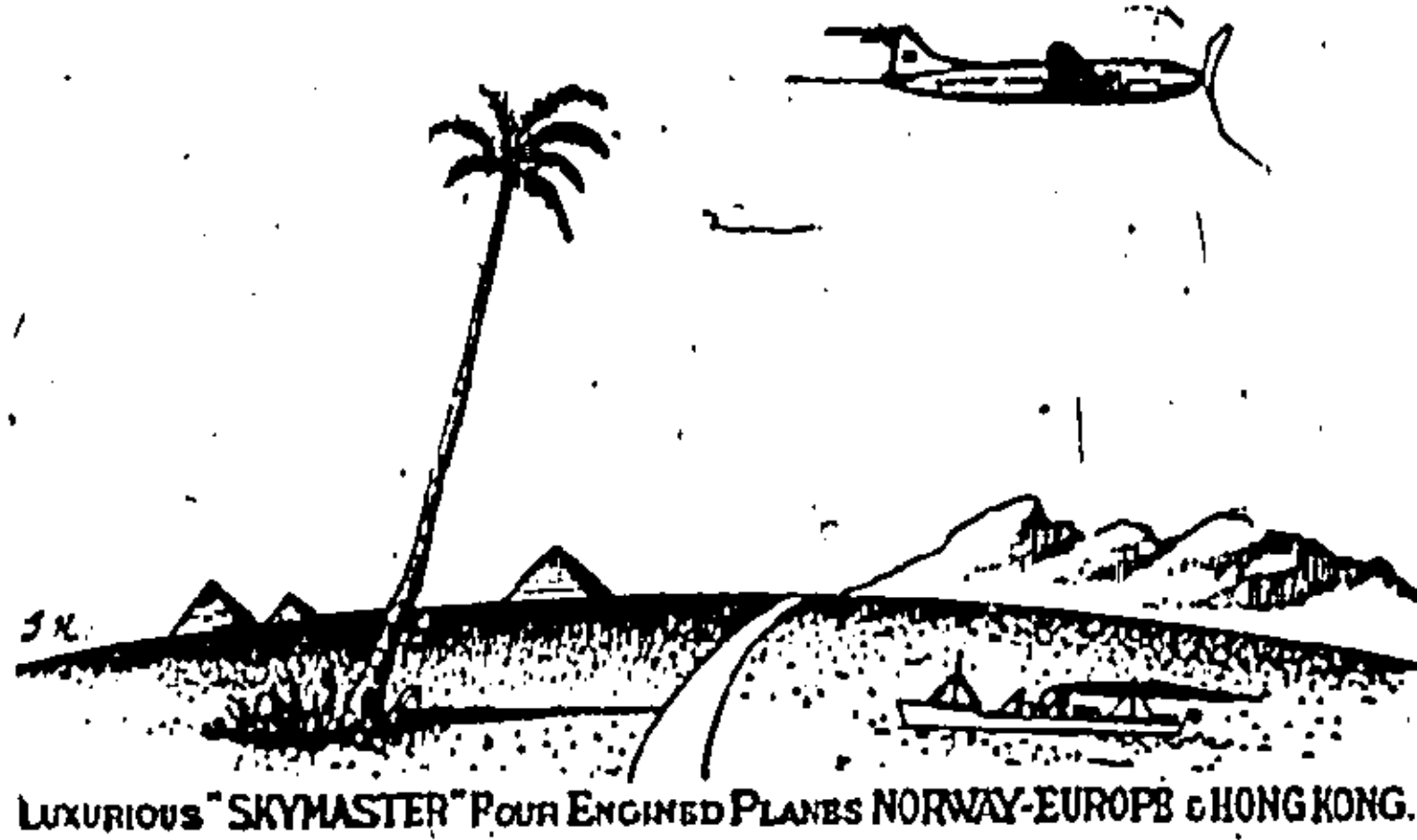
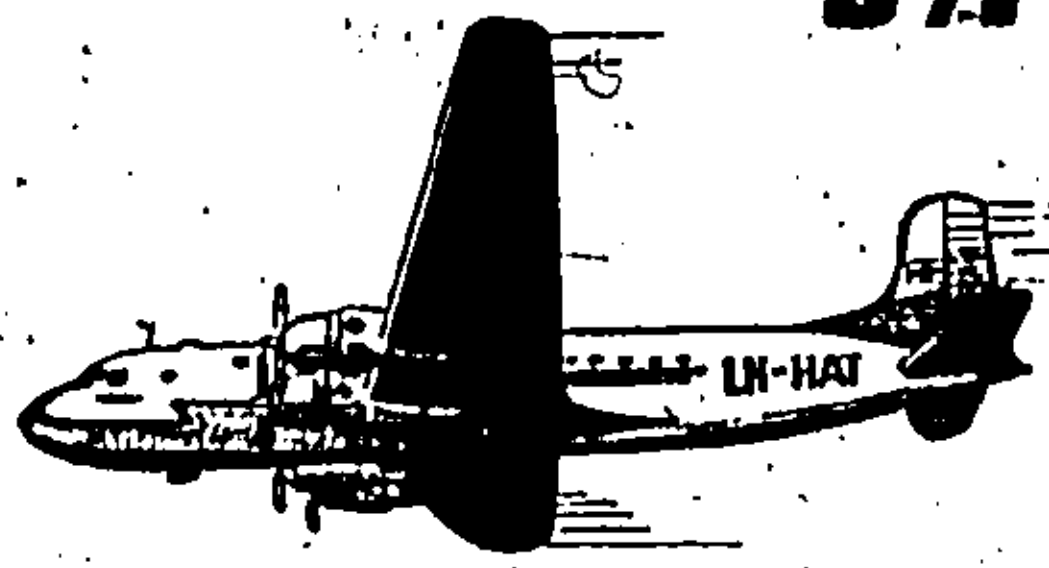
But whether they can grasp this emancipation or not is yet to be seen. Old inhabitants of the islands—no matter how much they have the welfare of the native at heart—fall to see how the black, with his childlike ways of life, can hope to stabilize his economic and social life to conform to the standards set down for him by the white idealists who cry loudly, "Open Up! Open Up!" for the Natives.

Canberra says there is no move to bar the white man from New Guinea, but they put so many restrictions in his way that he must take only a minor role in the future history of the island.

The cancelling of the native contract in New Guinea by the Australian Government, even after the war ended caused the natives to be left in the lurch. The white man had no more work for him, so he packed up and went back to the village islands.



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# Arab League To Discuss UNO Decision

## Growing Tension Over Wide Area: Protest Strike To Start In Jerusalem Today

### Demonstrations And Incidents

Cairo, Dec. 1.

The seven-nation Arab League Council will meet in Cairo on Dec. 12 to discuss the United Nations decision to split Palestine into Jewish and Arab states, Abdul Rahman Azzam Pasha, Secretary-General of the League, announced in Cairo today.

The meeting was called after Azzam Pasha had had telephone conversations with the Premiers of Syria, Iraq, the Lebanon and Egypt, which, with Saudi Arabia, Transjordan and the Yemen, form the Arab League.

Speculation was rife in Cairo on what action the Arab League would take in response to the United Nations vote while Arab demonstrations throughout the Arab countries flared up with attacks and demonstrations against Western institutions and the United Nations.

Students of Foad Al Awad University in Cairo marched through the streets shouting "Palestine for the Arabs," "Down with the United Nations." At the demonstrations reached British business houses they shouted "Down with England."

Escorted by steel-helmeted mounted police, the demonstrations passed off without incident.

#### Anti-American

Reports of other Arab demonstrations in the Middle East and Near East countries included:

Beirut:—Ten thousand students stoned the United States Information Office and the French Legation, carrying Arab flags and posters inscribed, "Fire and steel is the only language the Zionists understand." The students marched through the streets of Beirut shouting anti-American slogans.

Jerusalem:—Palestine Arabs were due to start a three-day protest strike tomorrow while they waited for further action orders from the Palestine Arab Higher Committee. Arabs staged a protest march through the streets of the Holy City from the Jaffa Gate to the Damascus Gate, chanting, "Down with the United Nations—Down with the United States."

A young Jew was shot twice in the neck outside the Damascus Gate.

#### Tension Rising

Damascus:—Tension was rising in the Syrian capital with crowds making spontaneous anti-partition demonstrations.

Universities and schools in Damascus are starting to recruit volunteers to fight the Jews in Palestine.

The Syrian Parliament was meeting tonight to discuss the situation. Ibrahim Attalah Pasha, the Egyptian army Chief-of-Staff, left Cairo today for El-Arish, the Egyptian town on the Palestine border, to inspect the Egyptian army garrison there. Attalah Pasha inspected troops outside Cairo yesterday.

An Arab crowd demonstrating against partition in Palestine, set fire to two petrol lorries of the American-Arabian Oil Company in Amman, the Transjordan mountain capital today and roughly handled the non-American drivers.

#### School Attacked

A crowd attacked a school run by the British Church Society and forced the children to join their demonstration.

## Panama Canal And At-Bombs

Washington, Dec. 2.

Brigadier Joseph Meahaffey, Governor of the Panama Canal Zone, today proposed to Congress that the Canal be converted into an atomic bomb-proof sea-level waterway at a cost of US\$2,488,000,000.

Gen Meahaffey's proposal was sent to the House and Senate by President Truman. His proposal had the support of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

The conversion job would take ten years. Gen Meahaffey said an atomic bomb hit on one of the present locks could put the Canal out of operation for years. However, the sea-level type, he said, would have an infinitely better chance of resuming operations.

He thought that even with a direct bomb hit into the Canal, traffic could be restored "within a few weeks" with full allowance for difficulties involved in removing radioactive debris. United Press.

Two American teachers, Mr. James Sutton and Mr. Donald Metcalf, barricaded themselves in their adjoining residence in another school when demonstrators tried to force their way in.

Two American newspaper correspondents were brought to safety today by a British major, who took them to a camp several miles outside Amman when they were threatened by an angry crowd of Arab youths on the outskirts of the town.

Bands of excited schoolchildren waving Transjordan flags, swarmed through Amman's streets.

Americans living in Jerusalem removed the United States number plates from their cars today and replaced them with Palestine plates.

United States Consular officials, whose homes in the city have been guarded by Arab constables since the bombing of the American Consulate on Oct. 30, told their drivers to keep out of the trouble zones as much as possible.

American Consular cars in Jerusalem carry special "Corps Diplomatique" plates, and bear the Stars and Stripes.—Reuter.

### New Tactics

Athens, Dec. 1.

The Athens news agency said today that owing to the watch by the United Nations Balkans Commission on the mountain passes at the Greek frontier, the guerrillas would be receiving supplies from neighbouring countries by air.

The Balkans Commission, which arrived today in Salonika, had been informed of this and would take steps to prevent it as soon as proof had been produced. The agency added that this new tactic accounted for the planes sighted over Greece in the last few days.—Reuter.

## Honour For The Speaker

London, Dec. 1.

The Speaker of the House of Commons, Colonel Clifton Brown, revealed that during his visit to France, he was invested by the President of the French Republic, M. Vincent Auriol, with the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour.

This was the highest honour that the French President could confer and was intended as a mark of cordial friendship with the House of Commons.

"I cannot adequately express my appreciation of all the hospitality I received in Paris and of the great distinction conferred on me," the Speaker added, amid cheers.—Reuter.

## Heavy Fine On Smuggler

London, Dec. 1.

A Brussels shoe-machine manufacturer, Raoul Gustave Walraevens, was fined £18,000 or one year's imprisonment at Uxbridge, near London, today on charges of evading customs duty on jewellery and illegally bringing currency notes into England.

Subling bitterly and slitting hunched up in court, Walraevens faced three charges and on each he was given the alternative of 12 months' imprisonment if he did not pay the fines.

Uxbridge is the legal centre for the area covering London airports. Walraevens was fined £13,000 on one charge of fraudulent evasion of customs duty on eight platinum and diamond brooches, six platinum and diamond watches, one gold necklace, two platinum and diamond rings and one gold and diamond ring and one pair of platinum and diamond earrings.

#### False Bottom

He was fined £500 on a charge of importation of prohibited goods—77 £5 notes, two £50 notes and one £100 note, and £14,500 for the evasion of customs laws on the importation of loose diamonds to the value of £4,435, emeralds to the value of £3,100, and three packets of loose diamonds valued at £175.

Walraevens landed at London Airport on Nov. 26 on produced chocolates and cigarettes for examination, and said that he had no other goods.

A customs officer examined his suitcase and found that it had a false bottom.

He had hidden a Jew from the Germans for about 12 months during the war. About a year ago, the Jew returned to thank him for what he had done and said that he was in the leather trade and offered to make a hand-bag for Walraevens' wife as a mark of gratitude.

#### Wrong Case?

This was what the prosecuting counsel said. Walraevens had stated on his arrest in his account for the false bottom of the suitcase.

On Walraevens' refusing his offer, the Jew offered then to make a suitcase. About three months ago, the suitcase was given to Walraevens, although he really did not want it. Counsel said that Walraevens now thought that the Jew had given him the "wrong case" and that later, while off the Jew to the Walraevens' home were made to register it.

Defending counsel said that Walraevens ran a small factory dealing in machinery for boots, repairs in Brussels and said that his

instructions were that Walraevens was a dupe for some organisation for getting articles into England.

During the war, Walraevens was a member of the resistance movement in Belgium and had hidden Allied parachutists. He had also hidden Jews during the occupation.

His first visit to Britain had been to secure spares for his business.—Reuter.

## "The Auk" Retires To Italy

London, Dec. 1.

Field Marshal Sir Claude Auchinleck yesterday relinquished his posts as Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces, India and Pakistan, and left for Italy, where, it is believed, he intends to settle.

Aged 63, he was appointed Commander-in-Chief, India, in June, 1943, and Supreme Commander in February, 1947.

He had 44 years service in the Indian Army.

The Government had announced a fortnight ago that the Field Marshal and his staff were to be withdrawn from India because of "the absence of the necessary spirit of cooperation between India and Pakistan."—Reuter.

London, Dec. 1.

The Commissioners of Customs and Excise state that photographs taken of the Royal wedding and offered for sale are chargeable with purchase tax at the rate of 12½ per cent of the whole sale value.—Reuter

## Egypt "Aware Of Her Duties"

CAIRO, DEC. 1.

EGYPT WILL CONTINUE TO RECOGNISE PALESTINE AS A UNITED ARAB COUNTRY AND WILL TAKE EVERY POSSIBLE STEP TO REALISE THIS AIM," NOKRASHY PASHA, THE PRIME MINISTER, TOLD THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES HERE TONIGHT.

He made this statement after Ali Bey Ayoub, Vice-Chairman of the Chamber, had stated: "This decision (partition), taken by an unauthorised organisation, is valueless."

"On behalf of all the Deputies, I disapprove of the decision and emphasise the country's refusal to recognise it."

"Egypt in collaboration with all Arab countries, is firmly decided to consider Palestine as a united Arab State."

"We ask the Government, as well as other Arab Governments, to take immediate and drastic action. There is no need for me to reiterate here that the Egyptian people knows its duty."

"Egypt is fully aware of her duties under the present circumstances."—Reuter.

## Malayan Seamen Deported

Sydney, Dec. 1.

The Australian Government is adhering to its decision to deport 14 Malayan seamen who married Australian girls and settled in Australia during the war, the Premier, Mr. Joseph Chifley, said today in a letter to a committee which is trying to persuade him to allow the seamen to remain.

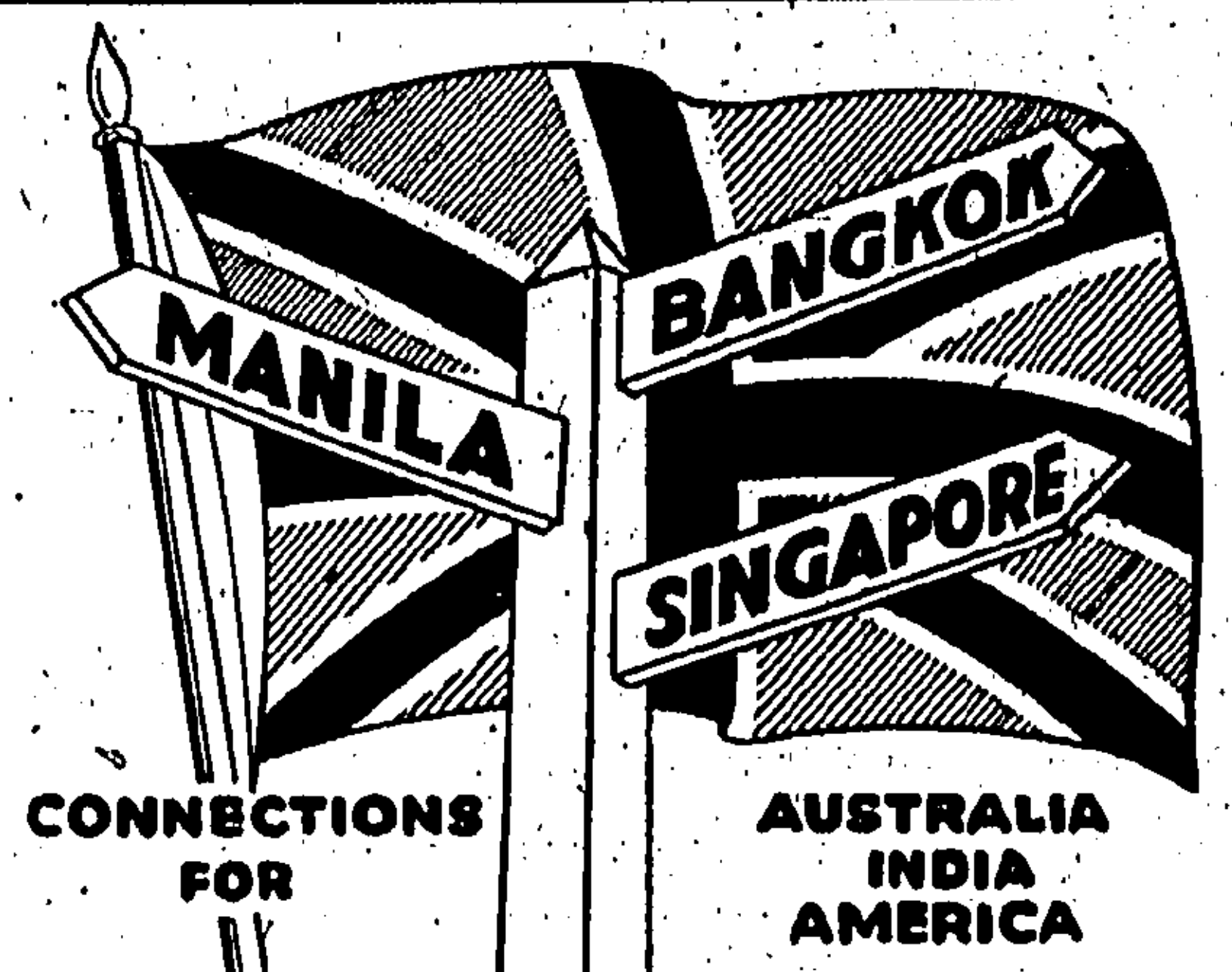
Accommodation has been reserved for them on a ship sailing for Singapore in the middle of January.

An Anglican newspaper, the Standard, urging protests against the deportation, declared that "both national gratitude and common decency compels us to welcome these fellow men to citizenship as readily as we do former enemy Italians or neutrals from Eire."—Reuter.

Enfield, Dec. 1.

Victor Tucker, 30-year-old steeplechase jockey and chauffeur to Colonel Medcalfe of Bullemoor Lane, Enfield, described how he chased two men in thick fog through the 46-acre grounds of a big house in Enfield and fired at one with a shotgun, after a pistol attack on himself. He thinks he hit one of the intruders.—Reuter.

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The Treasurer's Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 p.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

**NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.**

**PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.**

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

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# MR. BEVIN SURPRISED AT M. MOLOTOV'S REMARKS

## Slow Progress At Big-Four Talks

London, Dec. 2.

The Council of Big Four Ministers today continued with some filibustering to discuss the procedure for the preparation of the German peace treaty and failed to agree on any of the points discussed.

The bulk of the session was taken up in discussing a proposal by Mr. George Marshall and M. Georges Bidault that a clause should be inserted in the future German Constitution compelling Germany to adhere to provisions of the peace treaty.

This proposal was accepted, by Mr. Ernest Bevin but M. Vyacheslav Molotov maintained it would be "an intolerable humiliation for the German people for which there is absolutely no reason."

There was considerable repetition of previously expressed views by the four Foreign Ministers as they embarked on the second week of the conference which will probably decide whether Germany is to be united or divided.

**"A Colony"**

M. Molotov said he thought it was possible to believe in the Pacific and democratic spirit of the German people and that if the clause was inserted in their constitution compelling them to abide by the peace treaty, Germany would become "perpetually dependent on the other nations."

Assuming that the four power control would continue in Germany after the adoption of a constitution, there was no fear that the provisions of a peace treaty would be violated.

The clause would make Germany dependent on the caprice of a victor and end by reducing her to a colony. Germany would be unable to build a true and peaceful democracy, M. Molotov added.

Mr. Marshall declared that he did not see how the clause could have the effect described by M. Molotov any more than the peace treaty itself would.

Mr. Bevin said he was surprised at M. Molotov's remarks, which, he said, amounted to saying that there were countries who were working for inserting the clause necessarily wished to reduce Germany to a colony.

**Strong Terms**

M. Bidault replied in strong terms to M. Molotov's remarks, saying the

published results are, it is believed that a much more far-reaching understanding was reached and that the Tito-Dimitrov meeting especially was the beginning of much greater things.

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## FATAL KNOWLEDGE

Shanghai, Dec. 2. The inflation caused the death of a 36-year-old woman in Hsiaoan, Chekiang, who had been putting away a little money every day for more than 50 years.

She produced her life savings—CN\$4,122—and asked her son to buy a fertile lot. He bought her five local-made cigarettes. Thus she learned of the inflation and died of shock.

United Press.

## Plane's Brakes Failed

Seattle, Dec. 2.

Hydraulic brakes that failed to hold were blamed today by Pilot James E. Farris for the Alaska Airlines transport plane crash here yesterday which resulted in the death of eight persons.

The list of dead rose to eight today when another of the injured died. Two others are in critical condition. Associated Press.

## RED FEDERATION IN THE BALKANS?

London, Dec. 2.

The Sunday Observer's diplomatic correspondent said today that he had learned from reliable sources that a proposal to merge the Communist countries of Eastern Europe into one Federal State was discussed at a recent meeting at Sochi between Generalissimo Josef Stalin and the Bulgarian Premier, Georgi Dimitrov.

Under this plan, the Observer said, Communist countries with a population of between 80,000,000 and 90,000,000 would form a new great power linked with the Soviet Union.

The newspaper said it appeared to have been decided to work first towards a Yugoslav-Bulgarian federation nucleus, since the capital of the new United Eastern Europe would be Belgrade.

"Great importance is thus attached in Eastern European diplomatic circles in London to last week's State visits of Marshal Tito to Sofia and of the Hungarian Prime Minister, Lajos Dinnyes, to Bucharest."

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## Rangoon On Voice From China

RANGOON, DEC. 2.

A BURMESE FOREIGN OFFICE COMMUNIQUE TODAY URGED THE PUBLIC NOT TO ATTACH TOO MUCH IMPORTANCE TO THE SHANGHAI REPORT OF A CLAIM FOR 77,000 SQUARE MILES OF NORTH BURMA BORDER TERRITORY VOICED BY A CHINESE GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL. PENDING THE RESULT OF ENQUIRIES INTO THE AUTHENTICITY OF THE REPORT.

The English-language daily paper, The Burma, said today:

"The voice from China shows how necessary it is for us to unite and work together for the safety of the country now that the British powers are going away. If peaceful means fail we must fight tooth and nail for our territorial integrity."

The popular Burmese paper, Rangoon Daily, said it was surprising the Chinese Government did not press the territorial claim when the British were in Burma. The paper asked whether China had resolved to intimidate Burma. If so, it said, "there is little hope for the free nations of East Asia."—Reuter.

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# FRENCH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY TO MAKE ANOTHER BID More Reservists Mobilised BLOWS EXCHANGED BY MEMBERS

Paris, Dec. 1.  
The National Assembly is meeting at 0900 GMT today to try to complete the passing of the Government's special powers bill after negotiations for a settlement of the nation's country-wide strikes—now involving 2,000,000 workers and paralysing essential services—broke down again last night.

The decision to meet this morning came after a 35-hour session which ended when the Chamber passed by 404 votes to 184 the first part of the Government bill permitting the mobilisation of a further 80,000 reservists.

The break in the Assembly debate was moved by the Premier, M. Robert Schuman and it followed the en bloc rejection of more than 200 Communist amendments to the measure.

The national strike committee of the CGT, on which are represented 20 of the major unions which have called their members out, announced their intention of keeping the strike going and "intensifying resolute action."

### Position Better

Strikers were asked to "continue the fight, act with energy and go forward to victory in the near future."

Signs of the beginning of a return to work were reported last night.

The Minister of the Interior announced that port workers at Marseilles and Le Havre had de-

clined to go back, and there was some improvement in train services.

### Blows Struck

Troops reinforcements and light tanks arrived in Marseilles last night and the Government is reported to be quietly strengthening their security forces.

Meanwhile, blows were exchanged by Socialist and Communist members of the Council of the Republic in the House after two hours of a heated debate during which Communist members accused the Premier, M. Robert Schuman, who was present, of being a German officer in 1944 and of having "betrayed the Republic." M. Dussault, Socialist, and M. Guyot, Communist exchanged blows.

Members from both sides then joined in the melee and it was several minutes before the police and "officers of the House" restored order.—Reuter.

## Communist Ukase

Paris, Dec. 1.  
The Communist majority of the General Confederation of Labour today threw down a ukase that it would never negotiate with the Government to settle France's chaotic strikes if the Government's emergency measures, now before the Assembly, became law.

It was flat notice that the Communists would proceed with the programme to battle the Government all along the line, regardless of what happened. It also meant the battlelines were even more firmly drawn now because new strikes were plaguing the crippled country as its Assembly debated, amid Communist-created uproars, laws which the Government of Premier Robert Schuman demanded, to put legal weapons in its hands in the hour of crisis.

Following the meeting, the Communist majority issued a communique saying the talks with the Government were over and adding: "The Confederation Bureau states that no new negotiation could begin once the infamous laws now being discussed by the Assembly are promulgated."

Only Communists who were in the majority in the leadership of the CGT's 6,000,000 members signed the communique, indicating that finally labour, too, was itself splitting apart.—United Press.

It is notified that passengers leaving Hong Kong for the Mainland Union are no longer required to possess valid certificates of vaccination against smallpox.

## APPEAL IN JAVA DISPUTE

BATAVIA, DEC. 2.  
DR. FRANK GRAHAM, UNITED STATES MEMBER OF THE UNITED NATIONS GOOD OFFICES COMMITTEE MEDIATING BETWEEN THE DUTCH AND THE REPUBLICANS IN INDONESIA TODAY APPEALED TO BOTH SIDES TO "FULFIL THE FAITH AND HOPES OF MANKIND" BY REACHING A SETTLEMENT AT THE FORTHCOMING DISCUSSIONS ON THE DISPUTE.

Broadcasting from Jakarta, the Republican capital of Java, he said: "It is our faith that no irresponsible and extreme groups on either side can prevent these great peoples, by democratic processes, from working out a constitutional framework of national freedom and mutual cooperation."

The United States transport, Renville, on which the discussions will be held, is due in Java waters early on Tuesday.

Dr. Graham said in his appeal today that "no ship has ever come to these waters with a nobler purpose and lifted the hopes of more millions of peoples for the political settlement of a tragic conflict than the Renville on its mission of peace and goodwill for the people of Indonesia, the people of the Netherlands and the people of all nations."—Reuter.

## Coastal Forces Still Busy

Rangoon, Dec. 2.  
Men of the 1,400-ton Mayu formerly the Royal Navy frigate Fal and present flagship of the Burmese Navy, today described the part that Burma's fleet of motor launches was playing in the Government's anti-crime campaign in the Arakan division of the West coast.

The Mayu which has just returned here from Akyab, the principal Arakan port, was acting as supply ship to the launches operating in the rivers and streams crisscrossing the fertile coastal region.

Naval units were said to have clashed with "rebel gangs" and fought a series of actions which inflicted heavy casualties on the "enemy."

In one encounter an armed gang attempted to blow up a Naval boat by throwing a hand-grenade which was thrown back, killing many of the gang.

Marines from the Mayu described the situation in Arakan, where troops and armed police are waging a relentless campaign against lawless elements variously called Dacobs and Rebels, as "steadily reverting to normal, though there is plenty of action still going on in the hinterland."—Reuter.

William Kenneth Neakes, of Bedminster, who pleaded guilty, was said to have told the police: "I felt fed up with things and decided to end it. I took about 100 aspirins and sat in the van until dark. Then I drove to the top of the quarry. 'I had intended to drive it over, but it became suspended on the wire around the quarry and I scrambled out of the back.' The police found the lorry hanging over the precipice. It was impossible to recover it and it crashed down."—Reuter.

## Tests Of Atomic Weapons

WASHINGTON, DEC. 1.  
THE CONSTRUCTION OF TESTING GROUNDS FOR "ROUTINE" EXPERIMENTS AND TESTS OF ATOMIC WEAPONS HAS BEGUN AT ENIWETOK ATOLL IN THE PACIFIC. THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION ANNOUNCED TODAY.

The Commission stated that Eniwetok Atoll was selected as the site of the installations for careful consideration of all available Pacific Islands.

Eniwetok is in the Marshall Islands. A permanent transfer of the islanders will be necessary. All tests will be carried out under laboratory control conditions and with full security restrictions as stipulated in the Atomic Energy Act.—Reuter.

## Naafi Raiders Nabbed

HAMBURG, DEC. 1.  
Fifty-two members of Hamburg's biggest gang of thieves were arrested in a police criminal investigation department swoop today.

The highly organised gang, which includes respectable businessmen as well as discharged prisoners of war, specialised in raiding British Army canteen stores, and on the proceeds held parties in the city's pleasure district of St. Paul, where the celebrations cost up to 150,000 reichsmarks a head.

The gangsters were reported to have expensively furnished houses and flats.—Reuter.

## Stop-Gap Aid Plan Approved

Washington, Dec. 1.  
The Senate today approved the \$597,000,000 programme for stop-gap aid to France, Italy and Austria.

A voice vote sufficed to select a proposal sponsored by left wing Democrats that administration of the programme be handed over to the United Nations.

Italy is to get \$227,000,000, France \$128,000,000 and Austria \$42,000,000.

The programme still has, however, a considerable way to travel before supplies can start flowing across the Atlantic.

The House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee is writing its own bill. It voted last week to cut \$108,000,000 from the Administration's plan for European aid and then decided to put back \$38,000,000 of the cut.

Before the vote in the Senate was taken, Senator Claude Pepper (Democrat from Florida) accused Fascism to destroy Communism.

He accused General de Gaulle of being a Fascist and added: "This aid to France will be used to bolster de Gaulle against Communism."

## Plan To Combat Inflation

LONDON, DEC. 1.  
THE GOVERNMENT WILL NEXT YEAR REDUCE BY £180,000,000 THE ANNUAL RATE OF CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROJECTS AS PART OF ITS PROGRAMME AGAINST INFLATION. IT WAS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED TONIGHT.

The reductions are designed principally to provide more coal, steel and manpower for the export industries.

Construction in the building and civil engineering industries will be cut to operate at the annual rate of £700,000,000 at the end of next year instead of the £825,000,000 originally forecast, while plant machinery and vehicles will be cut to an annual rate of £255,000,000 instead of £280,000,000 as originally planned.

Work on cinemas, theatres, sports grounds and racecourses will be allowed only to provide for public safety.—Reuter.

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"RUBY STONE"	Bombay via Straits	16th Dec.
"DAN-Y-BRYN"	Bombay via Straits & Colombo	20th Dec.
"TREVISE"	Genoa, London, Antwerp Rotterdam (Amsterdam) via Straits & Colombo	21st Dec.
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# Hold-Up Men Lost Nerve

# Lien Hwa Victory

The score at half time was 4-0. Aw Boon-seong scored two goals in the second half. The Malayan team are meeting an All-Manilla team on Wednesday afternoon.—Reuter.

# Louis Favourite For Big Bout

**New York, Dec. 2.**  
Although Joe Louis is at present favoured at seven to one over Joe Walcott, advance sales indicated a sell out gate of \$270,000 for the world heavyweight title fight at Madison Square Garden on Friday night.

# INDIA SOFTBALL TEAM

Players are requested to  
up for a practice tomorrow  
I.R.C. at 5 p.m. and to notify  
J. Hussain. (Phone 58530) if  
unable to play as soon as possible.

## RECREIO TEAM

The following will represent Club de Recreio against the XI at Cricket on Saturday, on Recreio ground:—  
Dr. E. L. Gosano, (Capt.)  
A.M. Rodrigues, A.M. Prata,  
Pereira, J. Gosano, G.N.  
Santos, J. Gosano, D.M. R.  
Gomes, J. de Almeida, Remedios  
Bayer, J. de Almeida.

# Rough Seas For H.K. Yachts

**Guest Night**

# BEACHY HEAD TRAGEDY

London, Dec. 2. After the Eastbourne police were told that a "girl in her teens" had fallen over Beachy Head, they went to the top of the cliffs and saw her lying at the water's edge not far from the lighthouse. They were unable to go on foot because of the incoming tide so went by motor boat to recover the body.—Reuter.

# British Ex-Champ Loses

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# INDIA'S IMPOSSIBLE TASK

## 254 To Avert Innings Test Defeat

# Students' Strike In Kunming

## 1st ROUND

# Week-End Soccer Programme

Ref.:—P. George.  
Navy v. Dockyard, H. Valley "I"  
2.30 p.m.  
Ref.:—O.M.S.I. Tamlyn.  
Kit Chea v. W.D. Chinese, H. Valley  
last "I" 4 p.m.

India were all out in their first innings for 58 and at the close yesterday had scored 41 for 4 wickets. To-day Sarwan and Hazare, the not out batsmen, played a steady game, adding 29 runs against accurate bowling.

## FOOTBALL

A friendly football match will take place today between H. G. Land Forces and W. D. Chinese.

# Two Years To Wait For Medals

The strike did not tie up postal traffic since a group of Russian and Chinese pilots was hired for emergency service, keeping

## Pilot Strike In Shanghai

be booted out and the old pillo  
will take over again.— Unite  
Press.

# DRAW FOR 1st ROUND OF F.A. CUP

**Tommy Lawton**, England's centreforward now with Notts County, who opposed a clerk in the first round of the Football Association Cup, will meet a pit worker in the second round on Saturday week.

but they may all be knocked out, for in no tie were two of them drawn together. Seven

## Anglo-German Rugger

## CLUB RUGGER

The Club Team will be chosen from the undermentioned for the Friendly Rugby game against 4th

## CLUB RUGGER

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